

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL 5720 INTEGRITY DRIVE MILLINGTON TN 38055-0000

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Mr. Craig Whitlock The Washington Post 1301 K. Street N.W. Washington, DC 20071

Dear Mr. Whitlock:

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of March 2, 2017. You seek a copy of the Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) and other attachments to a Board for Correction of Naval Records (BCNR) petition pertaining to Rear Admiral Brian L. Losey. Your request was received in this office (PERS-00J) on March 6, 2017, and has been assigned correspondence file number CNPC20170270 by this command.

A releasable copy of the responsive OMPF documentation is Portions of the documentation provided are exempt from disclosure under FOIA exemption 6 [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6)]. Release of such information would be a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of Admiral Losey and other individuals. Portions of the documentation provided are exempt from disclosure under FOIA exemption 7c [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(c)]. Release of such information could result in an unwarranted invasion of Admiral Losey and other individuals in a law enforcement context. Portions of the documentation provided are exempt from disclosure under FOIA exemption 3 [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3)] in conjunction with 10 U.S.C. § 128 as it pertains to unclassified special nuclear weapons information. Portions of the documentation provided are withheld under FOIA exemption 3 [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3)] in conjunction with 10 U.S.C. § 130b as it pertains to personnel in overseas, sensitive or routinely deployable units. Portions of the documentation provided are withheld under FOIA exemption 3 [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3)] in conjunction with 10 U.S.C. § 130c as it pertains to certain sensitive information of foreign governments and international organizations.

BCNR referred some documents responsive to your request to this command. However, after review, a decision regarding disclosure is being referred to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (DNS-36) for their direct response to you.

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Because your request has been partially denied by this command, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination in writing to the Office of the Judge Advocate General, OJAG Code 14, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066.

If an appeal is deemed necessary, it must be received in that office within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter, in order to be considered. You should enclose a copy of this letter and a copy of the original request along with a statement regarding why your appeal should be granted. The letter of appeal and the envelope should bear the notation, "FOIA/PA APPEAL."

I am the official responsible for the partial denial of your request. Should you wish to discuss the processing of your request by this command, you may contact the undersigned at david.german@navy.mil and (901) 874-3165. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil and (703) 697-0031.

Sincerely,

D. P. GERMAN

FOIA/PA Officer

By direction